

NEVADA ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION

May 10, 1978

Dear NEHA Members:

On April 6-8, 1978 our annual Educational Conference was held, with the largest turnout the Association has ever experienced.

An excellent program was presented by the following dignitaries:

Larry Krone, National EHA Executive Director, presented the New Look for the Association with remarks that the National is looking to the local Association for a more important role with them.

Louise Fenner and Ron Fischer, both with the FDA, presented excellent update on FDA compliance procedures and on "Quackery."

Joe Nebe presented Nevada Food & Drug requirements.

Guest speaker at the Awards Banquet was Dr. Amer El Ahraf, candidate for NEHA 2nd Vice President.

Our thanks to Howard Schwartz and his General Chairman Doug Pushard for putting on this conference.

For those who missed this conference, here are some of the highlights of our general meeting:

President Schwartzter called the meeting to order on April 8, 1978 at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read and approved.

The Election Committee reported the results as follows:

- President - Ed Bohdan
- Vice President - Carl Winter
- Secretary-Treasurer - Ron Wilkes
- President Elect - James Barrett
- Delegate - Howard Schwartzter

The Membership Committe, headed by Dr. Ueckert, showed membership now stands at 65, an increase of more than 37% over last year, and the largest the Association has ever been.

Program Chairman Pushard reported that during the year, additional programs were presented both to the north and south sections, which were as follows:

- Discussion on the Model Ordinance by Ken Pool.
- Program on Epidemiology and Health Education.

Legislation Committee Chairman Reynolds reported that, following the dissolution of the NB of R, a written request was made to the executive branch to return the monies. Response from the State of Nevada has been either mute or indecisive, and at present the funds are in limbo. Dr. Ueckert expressed his view, and suggested that an Ad Hoc committee be appointed to pursue the matter of recovering the fees paid for educational purposes. This was approved by the membership.

The report by the By-Law Committee presented the updated bylaws, and suggested that the Nevada EHA be restructured so as to consist of two chapters, a northern and a southern chapter. This system, if adopted, would afford the members more meetings, a broader consensus of opinion, and preclude the "political machine." Dr. Amer El Ahraf expressed his views on the chapter system.

Robert Yager reminded the membership that a dues structure would have to be developed to support seminars, membership drives, etc.

Dick Roberts stated that the California Chapter voted on the amount of Chapter dues, State dues, and National dues.

A motion was made by Mr. Yager and seconded by Mike Ford for the president to appoint an ad hoc committee to study the feasibility of the chapter system, and offer the entire membership a referendum on the chapter system.